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News has been received that the following physicists have been working for quite some time in the USSR: von Ardenne, Prof Hertz, Dr Orthmann, Prof Pose, Dr Righl, Dr Schmetz, Dr Steenbeck, Dr Stendel, and Prof Vollmer. Statements about other personalities such as Dr Mey are contradictory.

Word received about the fate of Dr Mey, last president of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Physik (German Society for Technical Physics) indicated that he was arrested by Russian officers on 5 May 1946. Ten days later with 12 other people, he was released in the vicinity of Berlin. After some time at Schwiebus recovering from an illness, he was again arrested while returning to Berlin. Since then, there has been no word concerning his whereabouts, except for a letter from his wife who, on 30 December 1946, wrote, quoting an official, that Dr Mey is employed as a scientist in Russia.

After assignment to Osoaviakhim enterprises 21-22 October, the following scientists, among thousands of other German scientists, engineers, and technicians left Jena and other localities for the USSR: Dr Boegehold, Dr Boegel, Dr Born, Dr Buschbeck, Dr Capeller, Dr Catsch, Dr Falter, Dr Fritz, Dr Gotta, Dr Goerlich, Dr Gutschke, Prof Habann, Prof Hauser, Dr Kotowski, Dr Kuehno, Dr Kertes, Prof Laebcke, Dr Papello, Dr Rieve, Dr Roetger, Dr Siegmund, Dr Schmiedcke, Prof Schmetze, Dr Sommerfeld, Dr Steinmel, Dr Harald Sträubel, Dr Toemming, Dr Tromsdorff, Dr Winkler, and Dr Wolf.

Letters from Berlin report that some of the personnel who were recruited for work in the USSR were able to evade the duty. It is impossible to determine if any scientists other than those mentioned above have been recruited for work in the USSR.

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